

REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and request reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following remarks.

Claim Status/Amendment

Claims 15-21 have been canceled; claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14 have been amended; claims 1-14 are pending in this application. No new matter is introduced in the Amendment.

Drawing Amendment

Figs. 2 and 4 have been amended in order to correct the objection raised in the Office Action and without adding any new matter.

Claim Objection

Claim 1 is objected to because the phrase "where the second wavelet image composed of" in line 10 is grammatically incorrect. Applicant has made appropriate correction thus rendering the objection moot. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that, in light of the foregoing, claim 1 is now in condition for allowance.

Claim 3 is objected to because the phrase "where a difference value between the user information and the user information is smallest" renders the claim ambiguous. Applicant has made appropriate correction thus rendering the objection moot. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that, in light of the foregoing, claim 3 is now in condition for allowance.

Claim 4 is objected to because the inconsistencies between "user information-embedding region" and "user information embedding region" render the claim ambiguous. Applicant has made appropriate correction to overcome ambiguity and thus rendering the objection moot. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that, in light of the foregoing, claim 4 is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 8-12 and 14 are objected because the phrase "the user information embedding region" renders the claims ambiguous because it is unclear which user information embedding region (in the first wavelet image or in the user information embedded image) is being claimed.

Applicant had made appropriate correction to overcome ambiguity and thus rendering the objection moot. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that, in light of the foregoing, claims 8-12 and 14 are now in condition for allowance.

For the same reason stated above, dependent claims 2, 5-7 and 13 are now in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that in light of the foregoing pending claims 1-14 are now in a condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

In the event the Examiner deems personal contact desirable to facilitate disposition of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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